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SUBJ: CLASSIFICATION OF QATAR STUDENTS AS F-1

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1. BASED ON PRECEDENT ESTABLISHED WHEN KUWAIT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSULAR MATTERS QATAR, EMBASSY CONTINUED ISSUE A-2 VISAS TO QATARI GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED STUDENTS WHO HAD LETTER FROM MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND I-20.

2. EMBASSY STOPPED ISSUING A-2 VISAS IN JANUARY 1975 BASED ON UNDERSTANDING THAT KUWAIT WAS DISCONTINUING THIS PRACTICE. UNFAVORABLE REACTION AMONG QATARI STUDENTS WAS REFLECTED IN FORMAL NOTE FROM QATAR FOREIGN MINISTRY DATED JUNE 10, 1975 WHICH REQUESTED THAT A-2 VISAS BE ISSUED TO ALL GOVERNMENT-SPONSORED STUDENTS. FOREIGN MINISTRY FELT THAT A-2 VISAS "FACILITATED THEIR ENTRANCE AND RESIDENCE FORMALITIES DURING THEIR PRESENCE IN THE U.S."

3. TO ASSIST EMBASSY IN REPLYING TO NOTE, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO KNOW WHETHER A-2 VISAS ARE ISSUED TO SAUDI AND OTHER STUDENTS FROM ARAB COUNTRIES IN GULF, AND IF SO, WHETHER THIS PRACTICE WILL BE DISCONTINUED. WHILE EMBASSY DOES NOT FEEL STRONGLY ABOUT A-2 VISA MATTER ONE WAY OR OTHER, BELIEVE THAT UNIFORM PROCEDURES SHOULD BE FOLLOWED FOR ALL STUDENTS IN REGION WHO ARE FULLY SPONSORED BY THEIR GOVERNMENTS.

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